

PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1617

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Yuki SASAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1617

Application No.: 10/015,611

Examiner:

L. Wells

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RESIN POWDER FOR DERMATOLOGIC COMPOSITION, SKIN CLEANSING

AGENT AND COSMETIC COMPOSITION USING THE POWDER, AND

PREPARATION PROCESS OF THE POWDER

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the April 21, 2004 Office Action, reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Claims 1-22 are pending in this application, claims 18-22 having been withdrawn from consideration.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-4 and 7-17

The Office Action rejects claims 1-4 and 7-17 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Japanese Patent Application Publication JP 2001-151639 to Kenji Yasuda. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.